MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

9:00 a.m. **Room 519 House Office Building, Lansing** Wednesday, April 11, 2007

Representative Accavitti, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Accavitti, Mayes, Brown, Hammon, Hopgood, Lemmons, Lindberg, Melton, Miller, Nofs, Palsrok, Moolenaar, Horn, Opsommer. (14/19) ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representatives Angerer, Clemente, Ebli, Garfield, Huizenga. (5/19)

Representative Mayes made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of April 10, 2007. No objections being offered, the minutes were adopted by unanimous consent.

Anthony Earley, Chairman and CEO of DTE Energy, spoke to the Committee regarding P.A. 141 of 2000. Mr. Earley discussed a variety of topics including: the effects of a utility's investment in a baseload power plant; market prices during 2003-2006; DTE short-term and long-term decision making; the increasing demand for electricity; baseload power plants in Michigan; how to address the growing need for electricity; customer choice; amending P.A. 141 of 2000; renewable energy and energy efficiency programs; and securitization. Questions were answered for Committee members.

Representative Nofs made a motion to excuse absent members. No objections being offered, absent members were excused.

There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair Accavitti declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 10:28 a.m.

Representative Frank Accavitti, Jr.

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